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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 690 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

- The balance due by applicant is \$ 820.

Docketed KJ Attorney MTB - LC
Case 51638-5001-01
Due Date 11-30-00
Action MP 1ST 9.0T
By KJ Chk SDW

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Scott A. SNYDER

Application No.: 09/611,958

Filed: July 6, 2000

For: A METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR
 SELECTING OPTIMAL COMMODITIES
 BASED UPON BUSINESS PROFILE
 AND PREFERENCES



BOX MISSING PARTS

Group Art Unit: Unassigned

Examiner: Unassigned

Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

1. This replies to the Notice to File Missing parts of Application (PTO-1533) mailed August 31, 2000.

A copy of the Notice To File Missing Parts Of Application-Filing Date Granted (Form PTO-1533) is enclosed.

2. Declaration or Oath

No declaration or oath was filed. Enclosed is the original Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney.

The specification attached to the declaration is a copy of the specification and any amendments thereto which were filed in the PTO to obtain the filing date.

The declaration or oath which was filed was determined to be defective. A new original Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.

3. English Translation of Non-English Language Papers

Submitted herewith is a verified English translation of the non-English language application papers as originally filed. It is requested that this translation be used as the copy for examination purposes in the PTO.

Also enclosed is the Verification of Translation Document

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4. Small Entity Statement(s)

[X] Verified Statement(s) that this is a filing by a small entity

[X] is attached

[] was filed on _____.

5. Fee Calculation

| Basic Fee: Patent Application-\$710.00 Design Application-\$320.00 | | | | |
|--|--------------|--------------|---------------|-----------------|
| | Number Filed | Number Extra | at a Rate of | |
| Total Claims | 19 - 20 = | | \$18.00 each= | + |
| Independent Claims | 3 - 3 = | | \$80.00 each= | + |
| Missing Parts Surcharge Fee | | | \$130.00 | + 130.00 |
| SUB-TOTAL = | | | | \$840.00 |
| Reduction by 1/2 for filing by a small entity | | | | - \$ |
| SUB-TOTAL = | | | | \$420.00 |
| TOTAL FILING FEE = | | | | \$420.00 |

6. Extension of Time

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.

[X] Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)-(d), for the total number of months checked below:

| Total months requested | Fee for extension | [fee for Small Entity] |
|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| [X] one month | \$ 110.00 | \$ 55.00 |
| [] two months | \$ 390.00 | \$195.00 |
| [] three months | \$ 890.00 | \$445.00 |
| [] four months | \$1,390.00 | \$695.00 |

Extension of time fee due with this request: \$55.00 (small entity)

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a Petition therefor.

[] Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

7. Fee Payment

The total fee due is: Completion Fees \$420.00
Extension Fees \$ 55.00

Total Fee Due \$475.00

Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0310 in the amount of **\$475.00** representing the total fee due.

Except for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and § 1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0310.

8. Additional papers enclosed.

Preliminary Amendment
 Information Disclosure Statement
 Form PTO-1449 and 22 references

Respectfully submitted,

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